



To: All HOPWA Project Sponsors
From: Lisa Coffman, HOPWA Coordinator
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Re: New Client Applications

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Effective April 1, 2003, all HOPWA Project Sponsors must utilize the new client applications for any new client receiving short-term, rental and supportive services through the HOPWA program.

The new applications contain expanded racial codes as provided by HUD. The new rental assistance application contains a statement regarding rent reasonableness. HUD is requesting certification from every rental assistance tenant that chooses to live in a unit that exceeds the fair market rent levels. HUD also wants to see that landlords are not charging more rent to HOPWA-assisted clients. If you have a client with a unit that exceeds the fair market rent, we also have to do a rent reasonableness check. Basically, we have to list the rent that the landlord is charging for similar non-HOPWA assisted units.

The new applications are available on our website to download at www.indianahousing.org.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the information in this memo, please contact Lisa Coffman at (317) 233-1814 or (800) 872-0371 or via e-mail at lcoffman@ihfa.state.in.us.

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